## **AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. (Currently Amended) Active compound mixture, comprising
  - a) ipconazole of the formula (I)

and

- b) at least one further fungicidally active compound selected from the group of the metal salts or metal oxides, sulphamides, triazoles, imidazoles, morpholine derivatives, benzothiazoles, isothiazolinones, thiocyanates, quaternary ammonium compounds and quanidines, lodine derivatives, phenols, pyridines, methoxyacrylates and quinolines.
- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Original) Active compound mixture according to Claim 1, characterized in that the weight ratio of the fungicidally active compound b) to ipconazole a) is from 1:20 to 20:1.
- (Currently Amended) Active compound mixture according to Claim 1, characterized in that it comprises at least one further active compound c)

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selected from the group consisting of the insecticides and/or algicides.

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- (Currently Amended) A process for protecting industrial materials comprising applying thereto <u>an active compound mixtures according to Claim 1 as microbicides comprising:</u>
  - a) ipconazole of the formula (I)

<u>and</u>

- b) at least one further fungicidally active compound selected from the group of the metal salts or metal oxides, sulphamides, triazoles, imidazoles, benzimidazoles, morpholine derivatives, benzothiazoles, isothiazolinones, thiocyanates, quaternary ammonium compounds and guanidines, iodine derivatives, phenols, pyridines, methoxyacrylates and quinolines as micorbiocides.
- (Currently Amended) A process according to Claim 5, characterized in that the industrial materials are wood, woodbased materials, plastics, cooling lubricants and coating systems, such as paints, vamishes or plaster.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A method for protecting industrial materials against colonization and/or destruction by microorganisms, comprising contacting the microorganism or its habitat with an active compound combination according to

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## Claim 1 comprising:

a) ipconazole of the formula (I)

and

- b) at least one further fungicidally active compound selected from the group of the metal salts or metal oxides, sulphamides, triazoles, imidazoles, benzimidazoles, morpholine derivatives, benzothiazoles, isothiazolinones, thiocyanates, quaternary ammonium compounds and quanidines, iodine derivatives, phenols, pyridines, methoxyacrylates and quinolines.
- 8. (Original) Microbicidal composition, comprising an active compound combination according to Claim 1 and at least one solvent and/or diluent and, optionally processing auxiliaries and, optionally further antimicrobially active compounds.
- (Original) Composition according to Claim 8, characterized in that it comprises at least one further antimicrobially active compound from the group of the algicides and/or insecticides.
- (Currently Amended) An article of matter containing industrial materials, treated with an active compound mixture according to Claim 1 comprising:
  - a) ipconazole of the formula (I)

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<u>and</u>

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at least one further fungicidally active compound selected from the group of the metal salts or metal oxides, sulphamides, triazoles, imidazoles, benzimidazoles, morpholine derivatives, benzothiazoles, isothiazolinones, thiocyanates, quaternary ammonium compounds and quanidines, iodine derivatives, phenols, pyridines, methoxyacrylates and quinolines.